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This Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is being filed after the period specified in § 1.97(c) but before the payment of the issue fee for the above-identified application. Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(d), this IDS is accompanied by the fee of \$180.00 set forth in § 1.17(p) and a statement specified in § 1.97(e).

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Applicants further reserve the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability

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Each item of information contained in this IDS was first cited in an Office Action issued by the Korean Patent Office on October 11, 2004 in a counterpart Korean patent application. Hence, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e)(1), Applicants respectfully submit that each item of information contained in this IDS was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this IDS. A copy of the Office Action issued on October 11, 2004 in a counterpart Korean patent application is enclosed for the Examiner's consideration.

JP 09-274776 listed on the accompanying PTO Form 1449 is in a language other than English. The relevance of this document can be understood from the attached the machine translation thereof and the English-language abstract. In addition, WO 95/16262 listed on the accompanying PTO Form 1449 is in a language other than English. The relevance of this document can be understood from its English-language abstract and U.S. Patent No. 5,687,160, which corresponds to WO 95/16262.

Copies of the listed documents are attached. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the cited references and evidence that consideration by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

This submission does not represent that any better art exists and does not constitute an admission that each or all of the listed documents are material or constitute "prior art." If it should be determined that any of the listed documents do constitute "prior art" under United States law, Applicants reserve the right to present to the office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such document.

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